

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TATSURO YAMAZAKI ET AL.) : Examiner: NYA
Application No.: NYA) : Group Art Unit: NYA
Filed: Herewith) :
For: DISPLAY APPARATUS AND)
DISPLAY METHOD : November 16, 2001

The Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application,
filed herewith, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 9 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of Claim 9
showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

9. (Amended) The display apparatus according to one of Claims 1 to 7,
wherein said electron emission element is a type of cold cathode.

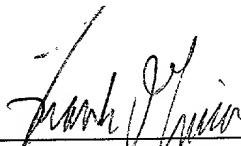
REMARKS

Claim 9 has been amended to eliminate an improper multiple dependency.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits are respectfully requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO CLAIMS

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